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Find out how to make a fashion and environmental statement all at the same time. See page 5.



RCPD issues 42 citations on Fake Patty's Day

By Jenene Heavey KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Riley County Police Department Capt. Hank Nelson said weekend police work was very busy with higher-than-normal call volumes caused by Fake Patty's Day activities in Manhattan and Aggieville.

A total of 42 citations were issued for violations of either open container in public or minor in consumption. Nelson said the Kansas Highway Patrol had a saturation patrol as well; however, numbers were not available at press time.

"We were busy, but there were no homicides or rapes," Nelson said.

REPORTED THEFT OF ITEMS DURING PARTY SUNDAY

Gregory Bribiesca III, 20, of 1814 Laramie St., reported the theft of \$2,520 in items from his

See RCPD, Page 10

Commission to vote on traffic projects

By Brandon Steinert KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Three transportation improvement projects are scheduled to be reviewed by the Manhattan City Commission at 5 p.m. today at City Hall. If the city commission approves, the three projects will be proposed to the Kansas Department of Transportation for consideration for funding from economic stimulus monies.

The projects include improvements to South Fourth St. for \$2.5 million and the intersection at McCall Road and U.S. Highway 24 for \$1.6 million. The third project would install traffic signals at the intersections of Seth Child Bou-

See CITY, Page 8

Seeing double



Tenant/landlord horror stories are often 2-sided

By Elise Podhajsky KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Imagine living in a home where nothing works - the washing machine and dishwasher are broken, the toilet overflows, and the refrigerator constantly spoils your food.

Imagine living in a room that floods every time it rains and is consequently infested with mold, or living under a roof and on top of a floor that sags and moans with the slightest breeze, leaving fallen ceiling tiles in the kitchen and you worried for your safety.

These living conditions might seem unbearable, but they are a reality for many tenants renting in Manhattan, and they are what many K-State students are calling home.

But who is to blame for the state of these hundreds of unkempt properties? Is it the tenant who tries to fit 100 people in his living room or the landlord who refuses to fix the broken floorboards?

STUDENTS CLAIM LANDLORDS **RESPONSIBLE FOR PROBLEMS**

Many student renters cry the latter and blame the unreliable and untrustworthy behavior of their landlords, or people who have been called "slumlords," for their questionable living quarLocal officials are developing a rental inspection proposal that could require mandatory rental property inspections. To learn more about the proposal go to the *kstatecollegian.com* for past stories. The next committee meeting is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at the firehouse at 2000 Denision.

Brian Drees, junior in milling science and management, lives on the 1800 block of Laramie St. He said he and his five housemates have been having problems with their landlord since they moved in.

When they signed the lease last summer, the house had plumbing problems as well as numerous broken appliances. Drees said his landlord promised the plumbing would be fixed by the time the men moved in. But when August rolled around, the refrigerator was still broken, the sewer was still backed up, and the basement had flooded after heavy rains.

"Things like that drive us crazy," Drees said. "[Our landlord] comes by, says 'Yeah, we'll get right on that,' and then he just doesn't ever show up again or will duck our calls. The main thing that pisses me off about him is that he's a total yes-man, and it turns out he's just lying through his teeth. I really don't think he has any intention of carrying through what he promises."

Payson Burnett, junior in financial and operations management, lived at

1938 Hunting Road last year with three friends and said they had similar problems with their landlord, who was consistently hard to reach.

"We were kind of on our own the whole time," Burnett said. "He told us before we signed the lease that he would be living in Nevada and would visit every month, but I would say we saw him a total of three times throughout the year."

Burnett said he and his roommates ended up fixing and replacing everything that broke in the house - including a new clothes dryer – out of their own pockets. When they would have property-related problems or questions, Burnett said their landlord would never answer or return his calls. In fact, when the lease was up last August and Burnett called to get their \$1,340 deposit back, Burnett said their landlord has changed his phone number without warning, and they never heard from him again.

"If you're ever thinking about renting from anybody that lives outside of Manhattan, don't do it," he said. "It's a bad idea."

RENTING TO STUDENTS CREATES DIFFICULTIES FOR LANDLORDS

But there are always two sides to a story, said John Pence, associate director

See SLUMLORD, Page 10

Comedians to perform for Asian-American Awareness Month

By Tiffany Roney KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The "magic age" to look forward is typically 21. This week, K-State students can be thankful that they are at least 17.

Comedian Elliot Chang is scheduled to perform stand-up comedy as part of his "Barely Legal" national tour at 7 tonight in the Grand Ballroom of the K-State Student Union. The "Barely Legal" title reflects Chang's rule that no one under 17 attend his live shows. Chang has performed at more than 400 colleges, and his TV appearances include Comedy Central's "Premium Blend," MTV's "FN MTV," Spike TV's "Crash Test" and NBC's "Law & Or-

'What makes Elliot's performance so great is his question-and-answer session,"



Chang

Christina Patch, sophomore in accounting and president of K-State's Asian American Student Union, in a press release. "This is where he really talks about topics that are important to minorities, like Asians in the media and voting. A lot of times we don't have a voice unless we have a huge voting

group, and that's true for any minority." Chang's performance is part K-State's effort to observe Asian-American Awareness Month this March. K-State's Asian American Student Union and the Union Program Council's Multicultural Committee have teamed up to bring several

events to K-State that promote cultural



"Sometimes people only

awareness

Americans.

see one side of a culture," said Patch. "They only see the Chinese and the Japanese, but there are a lot of other groups. The Asian-American Awareness Month is also for the Vietnamese, the Thai, the Asians in Afghani-

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COMEDIAN stan. Many people are not as aware of these

groups? Sai Vang, a Hmong comedian, is scheduled to perform at 7 p.m. Thursday in Room 212 of the K-State Student Union. The Hmong tribe was a group from Laos that was persecuted during the Vietnam War because they sided with the U.S.

Many Hmong tribe members fled Laos to Thailand, and a huge community of Hmong people now live in the U.S., including Sai Vang. Vang's comedic material deals with growing up poor, Asian-Americans, the differences between races and the differences between sexes.

The Asian American Student Union at K-State actually has four members that are Hmong," Patch said in the release. "Sai Vang is really funny. He talks about his experiences and what he went through when he was younger. He does a great job of promoting cultural awareness.'

A panel discussion, "Personal Stories of Asian-American Faculty and Staff in Celebration of Our Heritage," will be noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Union Courtyard.

All events are free and open to the public.



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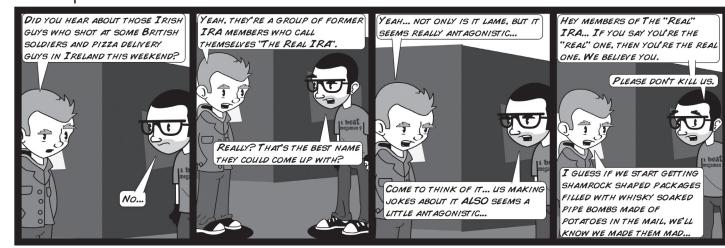
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Recreational Services is offering half-price nutrition consultations during March, which is National Nutrition Month. For more information, call the administrative office at 785-532-6980 or go to www.recservices.k-state.edu.

The sexual assault support group is meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Women's Center in Holton Hall. For more information, visit www.ksu.edu/womenscenter or call 785-532-6444.

Walk-in Wednesdays will be Wednesday from noon to 4 p.m. in Holtz Hall. The event is sponsored by Career and **Employment Services.**

Intramural entries for softball and individual doubles sports will be accepted today through Thursday in the administrative office at Peters Recreation Complex. For more information, call 785-532-6980 or go to

www.recservices.k-state.edu.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Mark Harrison at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in Rathbone 3053. The thesis topic is "The Effects of Using Aliovalent Doping in Cerium Bromide Scintillation

The Pre-Vet Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Frick Auditorium in Mosier Hall.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Joseph Atkins at 1 p.m. Friday in Hale 114. The thesis topic is "Synthesis and Properties of Resorcin[4] Arene Based Quadrupoles and Dimeric Electrostatis Capsules."

A \$500 scholarship for nontraditional students for the fall semester is being offered by the League of Women Voters. The deadline is Monday. Check with the Office of Nontraditional Student Services in Holton 101 or www.ksu.edu/adult/scholarships for more information.

Recreational Services is seeking softball officials. Starting pay is \$7.50. The training clinic will be at 5 p.m. March 23 and 24. To qualify, attend the first session at Peters Recreation Complex and the second session on the Rec Complex's intramural fields. Officials must be K-State students and enrolled in a minimum of 6 credit hours. For more information, contact Armando Espinoza at 785-532-

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of William Bryant at 10:30 a.m. March 25 in Ackert 324. The thesis topic is "Caspases and Caspase Regulators in Lepidoptera and Diptera."

The Planner is the Collegian's bulletin board service. To place an item in the Planner, stop by Kedzie 116 and fill out a form or e-mail news editor Ann Conrad at news@spub. ksu.edu by 11 a.m. two days before it is to run. Some items might not appear because of space constraints but are guaranteed to appear on the day of the activity.

WORD OF THE WEEK ...



incisive \in-SAHY-siv\ adjective

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- 3. adapted for cutting or piercing 4. of or pertaining to the incisors

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"It is difficult to produce a television documentary that is both incisive and probing when every twelve minutes one is interrupted by twelve dancing rabbits singing about toilet paper."

-screenwriter Rod Serling

The use of the word was recorded by 1528, from the Latin word "incisivus," which derives from incis-/incidere, meaning "to cut into."

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CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

There was an error in Monday's Collegian. Mark Jones was not issued a citation for unlawful use of identification. The Collegian regrets the error.

If you see something that should be corrected or clarified, call news editor Ann Conrad at 785-532-6556 or e-mail news@spub.ksu.edu.

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Napping offers effective energy boosts

Jason Miller KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The last hurdle between K-State students and spring break is the dreaded midterm week. While students deprive themselves of sleep to study, experts said they should know that power naps and sleep actually help during these stressful times.

"Napping is very restorative and can be very beneficial if used judicially," said Sue Lutz, sleep lab coordinator at Mt. Carmel Regional Medical Center in Pittsburg, Kan. "But you want to restrict your naps to less than one hour. Anything more than that, and you'll disrupt your sleep schedule."

Most students have experienced at least one all-nighter, and some might think cramming yields better results, but typically this is not the case. In the midst of intense study sessions, it is best to substitute caffeine intake with short naps every couple of hours. The time lost while napping is negligible, since it will help the brain return to the

of retention. "Any time I am working on a paper or studying, if I go to sleep for a while and come back, I feel really refreshed," said Jaymee Wright, freshman in public relations.

books more energized and capable

Wright has four midterms to tackle before the end of the week. "Sometimes naps are needed –

Different nap lengths provide various benefits

5-20 minutes: increases alertness, stamina, motor learning and motor performance

TRADITIONAL POWER NAP:

20 minutes: includes the benefits of the mini but additionally improves muscle memory and clears the brain of useless built-up information, which helps with long-term memory

EXTENDED POWER NAP:

45-60 minutes: all previous benefits, plus slow-wave and REM sleep — good for improving perceptual processing

when you stay up late working, it just gives you a break from it all to relax," she said.

If students have multiple papers due throughout the week, Lutz said they should take their computers and set them aside. It's best to take time to think about what you want to write, she said. If no ideas materialize, sleep on it.

Experts agree that stepping away from a project refreshes the mind and could lead to better ideas later. Power napping allows the brain to recharge and provide creative insight for new ideas.

For those that habitually hit the snooze button as a daily routine, scientists have proven that a 20-minute nap midway through the day is more effective than sleeping

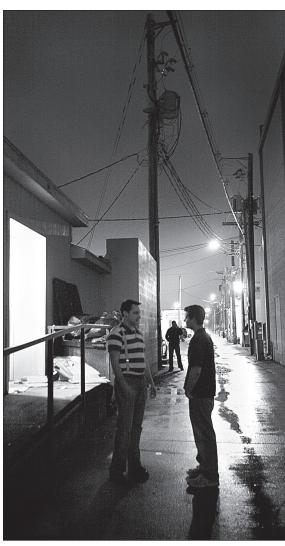
20 more minutes in the morning.

Research has found that those who take naps have significantly lower stress levels than those who neglect sleep. A quick 20-minute nap each day can help the body feel refreshed. The ability to nap is not for everybody, though.

'I cannot take power naps. If I nap, it has to be for at least two hours," said Natalie Scott, junior in political science and English. "Every hour or so I get up and walk around to keep me going."

Those who have found a provsystem that allows for good grades can continue their practices, but for students who have not found a way to balance rest and studying, it might be time to give a

ALLEY ADVENTURES



Jonny Jines, student at University of Kansas, and Kansas City resident Matt **Stran** stand in the alley beside Tank's Tavern on Saturday night. Jines and Stran were visitina Manhattan to see friends during the Fake Patty's Day celebrations.

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K-State Cycling Club to offer free bicycle repairs Wednesday

Tim Schrag

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State Cycling Club will offer bicycle repairs and inspections, which are free and open to the public, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Bosco Student Plaza on Wednesday. The event is in preparation for the club's upcoming spring cycling

Tanner Marshall, senior in mechanical engineering, said the main idea for doing this public service is to keep bicycles on campus in good shape for the

A local bicycle shop, The Pathfinder, 304 Poyntz Ave., donated supplies to make the repairs.

"I feel it is the Cycling Club's responsibility to facilitate the growth of the cycling community on K-State's campus as throughout Manhattan," Marshall said.

Club members will inflate tires, lu- out and riding their bikes," he said.

bricate chains and make other minor re-

Tyler Whetstone, junior in industrial engineering and club president, said if more significant repairs are needed on any bicycle brought to the club, members will be able to advise the owner on what needs to be fixed.

"The Cycling Club is very concerned with cycling in Manhattan," Whetstone said. "It's more fun to ride a bike when it works. We are going to do our part to make sure people have fun on their

Kris Pacinelli, fifth-year student mechanical engineering and club philanthropy director, said anyone at K-State are welcome to come and receive repairs on their bicycles, as well as learn more about the club.

"I'm excited to do this because it will promote the Cycling Club and get people

Student Finance Association to meet Warren Buffet during Nebraska trip

Brandon Steinert

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Warren Buffett has invited students from K-State's Student Finance Association to visit the Berkshire Hathaway headquarters March 26-28. During the group's time in Omaha, Neb., SFA members will have the opportunity to network with Buffett.

Buffett, chief executive officer and chairman of Berkshire Hathaway, was listed by Forbes as the richest man in the world for the first half of 2008.

Matt Hewitt, SFA trips director, said the experience the group will bring back to K-State makes the trip invaluable.

"I think the most valuable thing we'll gain ... is the experience to meet one of the most brilliant financial minds of our lifetime and maybe who ever lived," said Hewitt, se-

nior in accounting and finance. The trip was not originally on the SFA tural economics, wrote to Buffett's secretary asking for the meeting.

Foote, SFA fixed income manager, stayed in touch with the secretary, which earned them a spot on Buffett's calendar.

SFA president Laura Liston said she hopes SFA will be invited back annually, according to a press release.

"I hope this visit will become a mainstay in the Student Finance Association's schedule of events," she said.

Liston, senior in accounting and finance, said only high-caliber students have the opportunity to attend the meeting with Buffett.

Only 27 students from SFA and one faculty member are scheduled to go on the trip, which is entirely funded by the attendees at \$100 per person.

'It's the bargain of a lifetime," Hewitt

More information about the SFA meeting with Warren Buffett can be found at schedule, but Greg Foote, senior in agricul- http://sfa.cba.k-state.edu.

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Intro Philo Religion 5:30 p.m. - 7:55 p.m. Intro Women's Studies 5:30 p.m. - 7:55 p.m. Public Speaking I 5:30 p.m. - 7:55 p.m. Public Speaking II 8:05 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. The Short Story 5:30 p.m. - 7:55 p.m. Top/Women and Aging 5:30 p.m. - 7:55 p.m.

Tuesday/Thursday

Accounting for Investment and Financing 5:30 p.m. - 7:55 p.m. General Calculus and Linear Algebra 5:30 p.m. - 7:55 p.m. General Psychology 5:30 p.m. - 7:55 p.m. Intro to Music 5:30 p.m. - 7:55 p.m. Intro to Philosophical Problems 5:30 p.m. - 7:55 p.m.

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The Green Lantern only has one weakness: redheads.

The only reason I wake up early in the morning is to see the girls' rowing team walking around in their Spandex in the Derb.

Just so you know, ladies: If your hair color is lighter than your skin color, you are not attractive.

Truth be told, I miss you. Truth be told, I'm lying.

Where's mommy?

He's still in love with his ex-girlfriend. Back off.

To all the people who watched me having sex at 11th and Kearney: I hope you enjoyed the show.

I am. Are you?

Sex.

Grizzly Adams did have a beard.

That sucks.

I am a ma-man, I like to do mathings with my ma-friends.

Tequila is my drink of choice.

I hate those Axe commercials. They suck.

Do it for Uncle Chester, hey.

It's Saturday night. Where's mommy?

I shaved my pubes in the library.

I'm going to take a pillow case and fill it full of soap bars and beat you with it, Fourum.

To the girl I made out with through the window at Pita Pit on Fake Patty's: Same time, same place, next weekend.

Dear UC residents: Do we really need to go back to high school to learn how to park again? It's not that hard to get in between the lines.

Hey, K-State, would you mind not taking away all our sidewalks by the dorms? We need some place to walk.

To the guy who wants to fly a boat to the moon: Dude, check out Star Blazers — it totally happened.

I will never understand why girls dye the top half of their hair bright blonde and the bottom half dark brown so when they pull their hair up in a ponytail it looks like a skunk.

Why is it so hard for people with umbrellas to not try and poke other people's eyes with them?



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Full of hot air



Limbaugh is rude in speech, rushing toward failure



ADAM PHAM

The cult of Rush Limbaugh certainly is an interesting phenomenon. The man himself is an unattractive, inarticulate hypocrite who has somehow weaseled his way into becoming the chief spokesman of the country's most powerful minority party.

This particular appointment, of course, was not by invitation. If the GOP are the Sex Pistols, then Limbaugh is Sid Vicious - the manic, talentless, drug-abusing attention whore who commandeered the band in 1977, allegedly murdered his girlfriend the following year and overdosed on heroin shortly after that. But at least Vicious pretended to be the "ultimate fan" of the Sex Pistols before taking the helm. Limbaugh transparently cares for nothing but himself.

The GOP executives are clearly sick of him, but if they're forced to jump at every crack of his whip - like Republi-

can National Committee Chairman Michael Steele, Georgia Congressman Phil Gingrey and others – it is because they have been limp and permissive for so long. But they shouldn't be surprised. Even most of the embarrassingly credulous American public has caught on; Limbaugh now has an approval rating that only aspires to meet that of President George W. Bush. But for some reason, he is considered the most important political pundit in the country.

This is a man who mimicked, on camera, the physical manifestations of Michael J. Fox's Parkinson's disease for the purposes of ridicule and then went on to accuse Fox of overdramatizing his symptoms. This is a man who did not condemn or deny the torture regime at Abu Ghraib like an ordinary apologist, but rather positively supported it, describing the practices as well-deserved catharsis for the troops. This is a man who suggested drug users should be sentenced to lengthy prison sentences and was later discovered to be abusing prescription drugs. In short, to merely describe him as a despicable human being does not seem sufficient.

But the tenor of the national conversation with him has changed. He recently made a fairly vanilla comment about a comprehensive health bill being named in memoriam of the not-quiteyet-deceased Ted Kennedy without any innuendo to either Teddy's alcoholism

or his involvement in his brother's intern's death at Chappaquiddick, Mass., - and still found himself embroiled in controversy. And I needn't mention his very public desire to see President Obama fail, other than to observe that if he had said the same about President Clinton a decade ago, it would not have made him persona non grata in his own party – it would have made him Newt

Perhaps the conspiracy theorists are right. Perhaps the entire affair has been a disingenuous design of the Democrats. It has certainly worked out well for them. About six months ago, I wrote that the GOP was headed for a schism, and now it seems like that observation was about six months late. All of this is somewhat satisfying to those of us on the left; conservatives spent a fair amount of time last year crowing that we had finally discovered the slimy interior of former President Clinton that they had known about all along, and now, we're in a position to return the jeer. The fact is, the majority of people in this country just don't like Rush Limbaugh, and for good reason. I hope when he falls - spectacularly, with any luck - conservatives will be smart enough not to soften his landing.

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Obama's first budget still reeks of pork, full of earmarks



KELSEY **HOPSON**

"I want to pass a budget next year that ensures that each dollar we spend reflects only our most important national priorities," said President Barack Obama during the joint session of Congress Feb. 24

Wait a second. What about

this year's budget? It sounds like Obama has already put the stress of the 2009 spending bill behind him and is moving on to next year's budget, which is supposedly his first real budget, according to the article "Does Obama Have a Double Standard on Earmarks?" published Feb. 26 in Time magazine.

What's even more surpris-

ing is Obama vowed to sign the 2009 spending bill, despite the fact that there are more than 9,000 earmarks in it.

This year's budget has already been passed by the House of Representatives, and now the Senate has to decide whether or not to delay the spending bill, which many government agencies are depending on. Unfortunately, earmark reform is one bipartisan issue that has yet to be resolved.

Let's take a step back and look at the facts. Obama promised during the first presidential debate to "go line by line to make sure that we are not spending money unwisely." He agreed with his opponent Senator John McCain's conservative stance on earmark reform and the need to eliminate wasteful projects. That promise does not with the current situation.

According to PolitiFact.com, the \$787 billion economic stimulus bill had a few earmarks, including a power plant project in Illinois. However, Steve Ellis, the vice president of the organization Taxpayers for Common Sense, reported that the stimulus bill is "largely earmark-free."

In comparison, the \$410 billion Omnibus bill for 2009 has more than a few earmarks. PolitiFact checked the numbers. and according to TCS, the total cost of earmarks is \$7.7 billion.

Some remarkable statistics from CNN's "State of the Union with John King" include the following earmarks: \$1,700,000 for pig odor research in Iowa; \$819,000 for catfish genetic research in Alabama; \$190,000 for Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Wyoming; \$238,000 for a deep sea voyaging program for youth in Hawaii and \$209,000 for blueberry production in Georgia.

What does the director of the White House Office of Management and Budget have to say about this?

[Such bills] will not happen when the president has the full legislative and appropriations process in place," said Peter Orszag, director of the office, during an interview Sunday with CNN's John King.

Orszag claims that the previous administration decided how this year's budget would be allocated and said it was imperative to support the bill in order to keep the government running.

This is like your relief pitcher coming into the ninth inning and wanting to redo the whole game," Orszag said.

"Next year we're going to be the starting pitcher, and the game's going to be completely different.

Regardless, I think the entire budgeting process needs to be changed. Earmarks are only so important in understanding the need to get rid of any and all wasteful spending. Both parties are fed up with the practice of ignoring the bad habits of past administrations. We should be,

I'm expecting Obama's administration to live up to the promises he made.

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LIFE AS AN AWKWARD GRAD

Dive in 'Pooge' worth braving



ADAM REICHENBERGER

"Come on. Let's do this before I lose interest."

Spoken like a true prom date, Jay was serious. I could see it in his beady eyes. Standing there on the frozen beach, the Puget Sound just meters away, he was about to go back to the car.

I realized time was precious, so I kicked off my second shoe, pulled my shirt off over my head and ran for the water.

Seconds later, I was diving headfirst into the coldest, saltiest water I've ever been in: the North Pacific. I had never seen water so clear, so pure, so perfect. It was the "Pooge." And we swam in it during the last waning weeks of winter.

After the cold settled in, the salt hit me hard, and I let out a cry of pain. I had forgotten about my disc golf injury from the day before and now the salt was licking my wounds wistfully.

Disc golf accidents are a wonder in themselves. You never, never see them coming and then – pow! – you're hanging by the strength of your tibia wedged between a rock and a water pipe while you dangle freely, upside down, from a bridge, shoulder dislocated, boiling blood rushing down your bruised body toward the cold creek below ... you just can't prepare for that.

That accident actually occurred more than a year ago, but the day before the Pooge, Scott and I were out at the lake tossing a round, doing much better than either of us expected, when all of a sudden, my feet decided they had had enough. I went to the ground and the skin of my knees became nothing more than a passing fancy

passing fancy. Salty wounds suck, so we ran back to the car, passing back through the random person's yard and driveway that we had parked in, and just as we reached the car, the snow came back ... hard. Snow in Seattle is strange. It snows with a grave intensity that would cause the snow to easily pile up to a foot if it kept going for even a couple hours. Snow spurts - they come and go. Give it a half hour, and it all melts before the next one.

We kicked on the heater and headed back to the hostel. Well, we tried to head back to the hostel. We really had no idea where we were. The Pooge was easy to find; you could see it from anywhere. Getting back was the problem.

"Just put it in your GPS,"
Jay demanded out of frustra-

"Why the hell would I have brought that? Who brings a GPS to jump in the ocean?" "Right."

"Right."
So for the next half hour we drove around Seattle, sopping wet, covered in salt, he in his swimsuit, and me in my red plaid boxers. We were lost. I tried explaining the situation to this girl I know with the prettiest hazel eyes that I still see every time I close mine.

"Why did you jump in freezing water?" she asked.

I thought back to an episode of "The Simpsons" where Homer is asked to join a traveling freak show before I gave my answer: "I don't think I had a choice."

The Pooge was a stone's throw away – winter be damned, it seemed like the only thing to do.

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LET'S TALK ABOUT SEX



el," Waggoner said.

Appropriate time for sex differs for each couple



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MANDY COLTHARP

How long should two people wait before having sex? What is the average time frame? Every relationship is different and has its own special parameters. How can one relationship be compared to another?

Most likely, comparing two relationships means there are completely different people, completely different principles and completely different characteristics between the two people involved.

Statistics show the average age for first sexual intercourse is decreasing. According to research by Dr. Lawrence B. Finer from the Guttmacher Institute in New York, approximately 58 percent of all people have had sex by the age of 18. Compared to 40 years ago, this number has more than doubled. By age 20, the number increases to 75 percent and by age 25 to 90 percent.

I'm not here to pass judgment on any situation or set of beliefs or debate what is the right amount of time to wait before becoming sexually active with another person.

When deciding, one must consider his or her needs and what is best for the relationship. Some people need to wait longer than others. What might be considered long enough for one couple might be way too soon for another. It all depends on what you and your partner are comfortable with.

My argument is more conceptual. No matter what decision is best for you, it is too soon to be having sex when you don't know your sexual health status. If you've put yourself at risk for contracting any STDs, you

should be tested to ensure the health of yourself and your partner or partners. This is the only responsible decision and shows respect not only for yourself, but also for the people you are sleeping with.

After being tested, you can further protect yourself and decrease the risk of contracting diseases by using condoms correctly every time. While this might not be 100-percent effective, it is a lot safer than not using condoms. Respect yourself enough to protect yourself.

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Cats will not make NCAA, though qualified



BRAD DORNES

Brace yourselves Wildcat fans, no matter what the outcome of this week's Big 12 Tournament in Oklahoma City, Okla., the K-State men's basketball team is going to the National Invitation Tournament.

Even if the Wildcats win the Big 12 Tournament and secure an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament, I'm sure there will be some way K-State will be left out of the "Big

Honestly, I have never seen this much disrespect for a BCS

The Wildcats finished fourth in the Big 12 Conference, ahead of Texas, Oklahoma State and Texas A&M. Three teams, according to ESPN "analysts," that would be selected into the NCAA Tournament if today was Selection Sunday.

K-State ended the season with an RPI of 76 and a strength of schedule of 98.

This is in large part because of the Wildcats' nonconference schedule. Before the season started, the team's schedule looked solid.

Gardner-Webb was picked to win the Big South Conference. The Wagner Seahawks were picked to win the North Eastern Conference. Even Oakland was picked to win the Summit League.

It's not K-State's fault these teams have not had the seasons that they were expected to have.

Even schools from bigger conferences have fallen off this season. After beating K-State in the Findlay Toyota Las Vegas Invitational on Nov. 29, the Iowa Hawkeyes went 10-14 in their final 24 games of the sea-

Oregon was the same way. After their win over K-State on Dec. 7, the Ducks went 4-18 in their last 22 games.

This is just proof that the RPI is way overrated when it comes to evaluating teams to be considered for the NCAA Tournament.

These "experts" should really look at teams' last 12 games.

K-State is 9-3 in their last 12 games, while the three Big 12 teams going into the tournament ahead of the Wildcats all have worse records.

Texas A&M is 8-4, Oklahoma State is 7-5, and Texas is 6-6 for the last 12 games. This statistic is more important than the RPI because it shows how good the team has been recently and how they have played against their conference foes.

But alas, the Wildcats seem to be destined for the NIT.

Wildcat fans can look forward to playing games against such teams as Northeastern, Northern Iowa and Temple. K-State looks to be joined in the NIT by other bigger schools – Notre Dame,

Michigan and Virginia Tech. Once Selection Sunday comes and goes this weekend with K-State not being selected, I can only imagine the fury that head coach Frank Martin will rain down on all of K-State's unsuspecting opponents in the

And the Wildcats won't be playing with a chip on their shoulders – but a boulder.

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Stepping up

Sutton's personality puts him in role as leader on court, at home

Grant Guggisberg KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

When Dominique Sutton arrived at K-State last winter, he was highly touted as an athlete and former AAU teammate of Michael Beasley. He was expected to bring athleticism and tough defense to a class of freshmen already considered to be the best in the nation. With Beaslev and Bill Walker both gone to the NBA draft, Sutton remains as a focal point of that recruiting class and is now stepping into new roles as a

However, there is more to Sutton than just basketball. He has an outgoing personality that has helped him bond with teammates and grow as a person during his time at K-State. At the relatively young age of 22, Dominique Sutton is already described by one of his roommates as a grandfather.

'[Sutton] is like the grandfather of the house," teammate Jamar Samuels said. "He wakes up early in the morning, cooks up breakfast with his pajamas on while everybody's still asleep. He wakes everybody up."

Samuels also described Sutton as a fun person to be around.

"Dominique is an outgoing person," he said. "He's willing to do anything with the team and the family. I've known him for two or three years, and ever since we met, I knew he was going to be a good friend of

This year, Sutton moved in with fellow teammates Samuels, Jacob Pullen and Curtis Kelly. The four of them spend most of their free time together hanging around their fourbedroom apartment.

"If we don't have practice or have days off sometimes, we play video games all day," Sutton said. "We also go to the movies or just hang out at the apartment. We do everything together."

Sutton said he has been playing basketball since he was 7 years old. Between AAU and high school teams, Sutton said he has been playing organized basketball for about 12 years. However, growing up, he participated in several different sports.

"My favorite sport was football," Sutton said. "I played basketball, ran track and played volleyball as a freshman in high school, as well as playing baseball."

After his freshman year of high school, he gave up those other sports to focus on basketball. He was cleared to play at K-State on

Dec. 26, 2007, and saw playing time

in 13 Big 12 Conference games and

two NCAA tournament games as a

Sutton mentioned the instate rivalry between K-State and Kansas as one of the aspects he likes best about

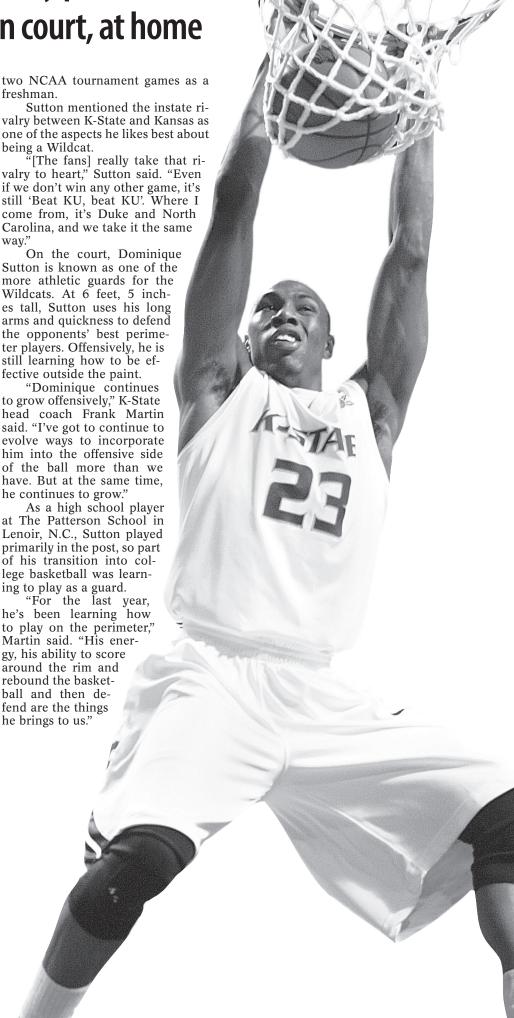
being a Wildcat. "[The fans] really take that rivalry to heart," Sutton said. "Even if we don't win any other game, it's still 'Beat KU, beat KU'. Where I come from, it's Duke and North Carolina, and we take it the same

On the court, Dominique Sutton is known as one of the more athletic guards for the Wildcats. At 6 feet, 5 inches tall, Sutton uses his long arms and quickness to defend the opponents' best perimeter players. Offensively, he is still learning how to be effective outside the paint.

"Dominique continues to grow offensively," K-State head coach Frank Martin said. "I've got to continue to evolve ways to incorporate him into the offensive side of the ball more than we have. But at the same time, he continues to grow."

As a high school player at The Patterson School in Lenoir, N.C., Sutton played primarily in the post, so part of his transition into college basketball was learning to play as a guard.
"For the last year,

he's been learning how to play on the perimeter," Martin said. "His energy, his ability to score around the rim and rebound the basketball and then defend are the things



Wildcats face top-5 opponent in Arizona State

Blake Thorson KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

This is the marquee match-up K-State baseball fans have been waiting

The Cats have rolled through the early 2009 campaign with a 10-2 record and are on a six-game winning streak as they begin a two-game series with No. 5 Arizona State. The series begins today

in Surprise, Ariz., at the Kansas City

Royals spring training facility. The Wildcats will have their hands full with the Sun Devils sitting at 11-1. The Sun Devils have been dominant this season, carrying a team batting average of .311 and a miniscule team ERA of 1.01. However, the they have yet to

play away from their home stadium. Meanwhile, K-State has been equally impressive, tallying a team batting average of .353, good enough for second place in the Big 12 Conference. The pitching staff has also been excellent with a team ERA of 1.93, which

also ranks second in the Big 12. At the plate, the Wildcats have been sizzling. Catcher Rob Vaughn ranks third in the conference, hitting .520 for the season. Middle infielders Drew Biery and Carter Jurica also rank in the top 15 in the Big 12 for batting

Sophomore third baseman Jason

King has hit four home runs, good for fourth in the Big 12, and also ranks in the top five in total bases with 34. Junior first baseman Justin Bloxom, K-State's leading returning slugger, has been solid with a .375 average and carries a

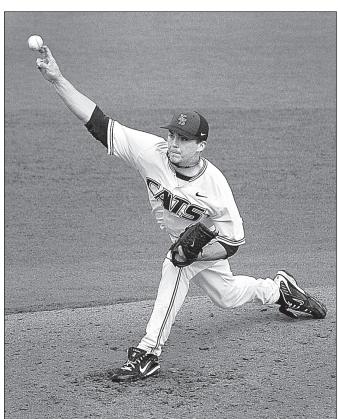
.583 slugging percentage. Outfielder Nick Martini has thrived as a freshman, leading the Big 12 with seven doubles on the year.

K-State has also been excellent on the base paths with a conference-leading 42 stolen bases, 20 ahead of second-place Texas A&M. Senior outfielder Dane Yelovich leads the charge with nine stolen bases on 13 attempts.

On the mound, junior A.J. Morris has been flawless, not allowing an earned run in 18 innings pitched. Morris is one of only two pitchers in the Big 12 to not allow an earned run in over 10 innings pitched. The junior righthander is scheduled to start today.

The games are being played as part of the Coca-Cola Midweek College Classic at Surprise Stadium. First pitch is scheduled for approximately 6:30 p.m. This time might change, since the game will start 45 minutes after the conclusion of the Texas Rangers-San Francisco Giants exhibition game, which begins at 3 p.m.

Radio for the game will not be available, but live statistics can be found at www.kstatesports.com.



Nathaniel LaRue | COLLEGIAN

Dustin Hobbs, Wildcat pitcher, throws one down the center during Sunday's game against Niagara. Hobbs pitched two innings, and the Niagara team managed one hit during his time on the mound.











Doctoral student turns passion for political involvement into book

By Ashley Denney KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Graduate student Paul Ibbetson recently published his second politically charged book, "Feeding Lions: Sharing the Conservative Philosophy in a Politically Hostile World."

"Feeding Lions' was written to address the differences between conservatives and liberals in the modern world," said Ibbetson, who is currently pursuing his doctorate in sociology. "Most people don't share their opinions on politics because they don't want to cause divisions."

Ibbetson said he believes the majority of the country keeps center-right values but thinks most people are not politically involved because they have a fear of speaking up. As a result, he said the country is losing its traditional conservative values.

"This is a center-right nation," Ibbetson said. "Conservatives have the majority ... The majority of the nation can't sit back and not get involved - people have power by getting involved."

He said he hopes his book will cause more people to get involved in the political process.

"This book is dedicated to everyday people – people who are often told they can't really have any effect on politics," he said.

"I believe those people are the heart and soul of this coun-

The desire to connect with everyday people is what led Ibbetson to use the analogy of a zoo throughout the book, starting with the title, "Feeding Lions" and continuing with chapter titles like "Polar Bears and Ice Cubes" and "Zoo You Believe?" Ibbetson uses the zoo analogy to address a myriad of issues including global warming, the War on Terror, border security, the Patriot Act and political correctness.

Though Ibbetson deals with a wide variety of current political issues, he said he also thinks these topics are side issues framed by particular values.

"There are lots of side issues, but they hang on the fundamental principles of God, family, country," he said. "Conservatives adhere to those tenets and hang those issues from them."

Ibbetson also criticized the idea of associating conservativism with political parties, stating that "there are conservatives in the Democratic Party and liberals in

the Republican Party."
"Feeding Lions" includes an appendix which showcases the positive and negative feedback Ibbetson has received.

"I never delete comments, good or bad," Ibbetson said.

The most common criticism Ibbetson said he hears are arguments stating his view of the world is too simplistic, instead offering a view Ibbetson described as "moral relativism."

He said perhaps one of the best pieces of positive feedback he has received was a congratulatory letter written by former President George W. Bush upon the publication of Ibbetson's first book, "Living under the Patriot Act: Educating a Society," which was published in 2007.

Beyond his books, Ibbetson also writes political commentary for 35 different political Web sites including American Daily, Capitol Hill Coffee House, Renew America and The Post Chronicle. He is finishing his composition exams and working on his dissertation, which will examine the ways terrorism and national security affect law enforcement.

Ibbetson's interest in law enforcement springs in part from his experience as the former chief of police in Cherryvale, Kan. His interest led him to earn his bachelor's and master's degrees in criminal justice at Wichita State Uni-

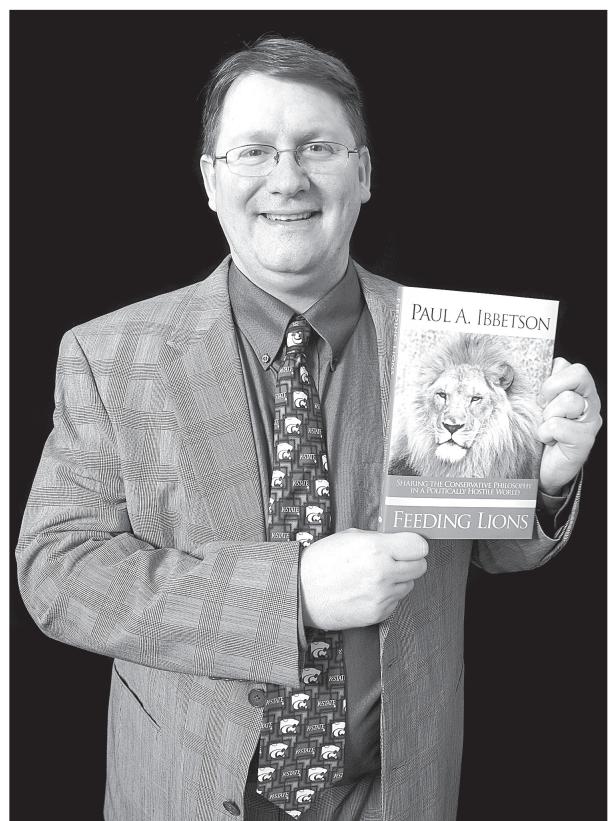
Ibbetson said he is leaving his options open once he finishes graduate school.

"I love radio, I love talking to people, I love debate," he said. Ibbetson said he hopes his

work, specifically "Feeding Lions," will bring more people to

"I'm hoping we'll make a big noise with this book," he said.

More information about Paul Ibbetson can be found at www.ibbetsonusa.com. "Feeding Lions" was released in January 2009 and is available at Hastings in Manhattan or online at www.



Matt Binter | COLLEGIAN

Paul Ibbetson, graduate student in sociology, recently published his book titled "Feeding Lions," which encourages people to become more involved in the political process. This is Ibbetson's second book.

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COLLEGIAN

Online video contest to offer financial assistance for students

By Jacie Noel KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Students can have the opportunity to win thousands of dollars toward tuition and loans through an Internet contest, which begins March 24.

"Tuition Tales" is a contest created in 2008 that gives students the chance to make a 30-second video about why they deserve

money for college.

There are three categories - ages 13-18, college/university and post-graduate. The most creative and deserving individual in each category will win \$10,000 for college expenses.

Upromise, a program that provides college funding for students, is sponsoring the contest.

Participants can enter their videos until May 5. There will be a voting period from May 6-12, where people can vote for their favorite video online. The 12 videos with the most votes will enter the final

when the three final winners will be determined.

Last year the contest received more than 250 videos, but was only open to Upromise members. This year, the contest is open to the public.

Participants can enter for themselves or for someone else they believe deserves tuition money, like family members or friends.

Matt Slagle, junior in elementary education, said it is not impossible for him to get money for school. He said it is more difficult here than at the previous school he went to, Highland Community College, but it is still an attainable

Though Slagle said he does not need as much help finding money, the Tuition Tales contest is not really something he would be interested in.

"It's probably not for me," Slagle said. "I don't make very good videos."

Heather Boland, ju-

voting phase May 13-19, nior in elementary education, said it is harder for her to find scholarships and money for school because she is a nontradi-

tional student. "The income factor is always there," Boland

Boland said though she probably will not participate in Tuition Tales, she has used the Upromise program before.

Upromise was established in 2001. It's free to sign up at www.upromise. com, and anyone can be a member. Members can go to various Upromise member grocery stores, drug stores, retail shops, restaurants or shop online.

A certain percentage of the total amount spent goes into a Upromise account that can be used to help pay student loans, cover college expenses or invest in a college savings account.

For more information on the contest or to enter, go to www.upromise.com/ tuitiontales.

CITY | Traffic improvements to be discussed

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levard and Kimball Avenue and Candlewood Drive and Kimball Avenue for \$632,500.

The total cost for the projects is estimated at \$4,792,500. According to the resolution, City Manager Ron Fehr has recommended that the commissioners request \$2.5 million in funding from KDOT. Most of the remaining costs would be covered with temporary notes, according to the agenda.

The applications to KDOT are due by March 18, which is why city administration added these items to the work session agenda as special items.

City administration is also scheduled to hear comments from city commissioners and the public about possible improvements to a section of Anderson Avenue, from An-

neberg Park to Scenic Drive.

The improvements for which administrators are seeking input include additional lanes, traffic signals at intersections and pedestrian and bicycle paths.

According to the agenda, the improvements are designed to compensate for increased traffic flow caused by new housing developments in the area.



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of housing and dining services and Manhattan landlord since 1970.

"There are some people who just find it difficult dealing with college students," he said.

After renting properties to K-State students for more than 30 years, Pence said he accepts that his tenants will "rough up" his homes a lit-

"I realize these kids want to party," he said. "That's a part of college life. You're going to let off steam on Friday and Saturday nights."

Because of this, things are bound to constantly break, Pence said, and sometimes it's not feasible for them to get fixed right away. He said it often takes several days to hire a company to fix a plumbing problem or to figure out if it is more cost-effective to replace an appliance. In some cases, Pence said the landlord simply might not have the money to make repairs right away.

"It just depends on how long it takes to get everything figured out," he said. "And if they screw it up, you might make them wait a day or two so that [the tenants] learn. It's the lack of responsibility that turns landlords off on some of these kids."

STRAINED TENANT-LANDLORD RELATION-SHIPS

Yet it's not just the landlords who are being "turned off." Some tenants admitted to being genuinely afraid of their landlords and scared to press them for repairs.

Drees asked that his landlord's name not be printed out of fear that his landlord would feel he was being bad-mouthed and would charge the tenants for even more of the house's damages.

"It's really up in the air how much they could pin on us," Drees said.

STUDENTS CAN GET THE FACTS ABOUT RENTING

Samantha McGill, director of consumer and tenant affairs at K-State, said students need to know their legal rights.

"A lot of complaints we receive are from students concerned that their landlords are not doing what they're supposed to be doing or are concerned about leases they don't understand," she said.

She said the department tries to help students become more knowledgeable about the Kansas Residential Landlord & Tenant Act, which governs tenantlandlord relationships.

"We help teach them about their rights as a tenant, because a lot of students don't even know they have any," she said.

This lack of education on housing situations is the key issue in tenant-landlord disputes, Alliance Property Management landlord Brice Ebert said.

"It comes down to the fact that the tenants don't know what to do if there are any problems," he said. "They feel they're going to lose their deposit from their landlord if something's not working, which is almost never the case. A lot of people think of landlords as this big monster that just wants to take your money, but it's just not true. We want to work with tenants, and I can't stress that enough."

Ebert said with everything in life, there is about 10 percent of people causing 90 percent of the problems, and with tenant-landlord disputes, there is no exception.

"People are going to make their own decisions," he said, "and with whatever decision they're making, they're going to have to suffer the consequences, whatever they may be. They're going to have to be held responsible for their actions."

RCPD | Man allegedly threatened children with rod

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home during a party at his residence, between midnight and 2 a.m. Sunday.

Possessions reported stolen include four pairs of sunglasses, Oakley, Rayban and Ed Hardy brands; Ed Hardy T-shirts valued at \$100 each; two Ed Hardy watches valued at \$300 and a Sony digital camera.

MAN ARRESTED FOR AL-

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A 42-year-old Manhattan man was arrested on Sunday on an aggravated assault charge, after allegedly threatening three children between the ages of 8 and 15 with a metal rod.

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